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WILL GENERAL GRANT'S ADMINISTRATION BE A SUCCESS OR A FAILURE?

From the N. Y. Herald. Never since the foundation of our Government has an administration come into power with more éclat, with greater advantages, or more opportunities to acquire enduring fame than the present one; but we have yet to see if General Grant understands the splendid position he holds or has the ability to use these favorable circumstances to make himself as famous in government as he was in war.

There can be no question as to General Grant's elevated patriotism, true republican principles, in the general sense of the term, or of the honesty and kindness of his heart. His public career during the war and since has proved that. Nor is the President incapable of learning statesmanship. He has a large fund of practical common sense, and common sense is the first quality of a statesman. During the war he advanced in knowledge by experience and showed himself competent for every emergency.

General Grant's conduct at the close of the war, and for some time after, showed broad and correct views of national affairs and indicated ability for statesmanship. Immediately after the Rebellion was suppressed he wished to see the Union restored at once and the sad memories of the war obliterated as soon as possible.

None of General Grant's predecessors had the opportunity he has for accomplishing great things and acquiring fame. He is President when the Republic is undergoing a great material, social and political revolution, partly as a result of the war and partly from the wonderful developments of the age.

There remain the various questions pertaining to the national finances and taxation. With regard to these the President may do something beneficial to the country. He can cut down all expenditures of the departments to the lowest figures, and thus save millions a year.

This rich and most valuable island on the border of the republic, if annexed, would not only greatly enlarge the area of our dominion and republican liberty, but would tend very much to revive our commerce and declining mercantile marine; would increase the variety of our products, and would strengthen our power throughout the American continent, seas and islands.

Cuba would belong to us. Here, then, is a fine opportunity to gratify national ambition and to promote national interests. Then there is British Columbia knocking for admission to the United States; there is a similar movement on the Red River, in the heart of the continent, and some of the British colonies of the Atlantic side are casting wistful eyes to the great republic.

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